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ALMA COLLEGE

Lectures. Lt. Alvin Nicolini of the San Francisco Police Department Narcotics Division, spoke on the dangers of drug addiction.

Mr. Lloyd Winters, track coach of San Jose State College, described the Olympic games at Melbourne.

Events. The Province librarians met here. Brother McDermott and Fr. Sheerin put some special books on display for the occasion.

Bro. Gonzales printed a beautiful picture of St. Ignatius which was distributed to the Community.

Publications. Around Easter the first issue of ALMA STUDIES, a theological journal edited and published by the theologians, should appear. It will contain four or five articles on theology or allied subjects, plus a series of abstracts of recent articles on moral theology.

Visitors. Fr. Henaghan has been visiting here taking a much needed rest.

Fr. F. Dunne of JESUIT MISSIONS dropped by to get the reactions of the missionary-theologians to his magazine.

Ministeria. Fr. Casey gave the March Day of Recollection to the Priest's Eucharistic League of Santa Clara County. He also was celebrant at the Solemn High Mass in honor of St. Patrick at St. Patrick's Church in San Francisco.

Fr. Mara conducted a triduum at the Notre Dame Convent in Saratoga for all the girls who are planning to enter the Notre Dame Novitiate this summer.

SACRED HEART NOVITIATE

Fr. Farraher gave the monthly Casus.

Br. Moniz of Brazil arrived to spend some time in this house.

Fr. Ransford and **Br. Williams** attended the Wine Institute at Fresno.

Fr. Kropp attended the Western College Association Spring Meeting in Los Angeles.

Fr. McKey left on March 18th for his Eastern Sales trip.

After eighteen long months at Monrovia, **Fr. McGreal** will be returning to the Community.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Meetings. Father Humphreys and Father O'Farrell attended Religion-in-Life Week, March 11-14, at Fresno State College.

Father President called a meeting of all the Catholic High School Principals who have been receiving Loyola's Vocational Guidance service for their seniors the past 8 years. Plans were explained to them to have the Archdiocese take over the testing part of the program with the schools administering the tests and Loyola conselors utilizing the results as in the past. Father Finnegan attended a meeting of the newly organized Archdiocesan Guidance Council. He has been appointed to the Testing Committee.

Fathers Finnegan, Reed, Martin and Ryan attended the semi-annual meeting of the Western College Association. Father Finnegan was co-chairman of the Program committee.

Father Odou represented Loyola and also the Holy Family Retreat

Association, March 18-20, at the NCWC National Family Life Convention in Milwaukee. He was resource person on the panel, "What parents as educators should know about educational problems."

Father President attended the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southewest Museum on February 20. Father is a member of this board. Father attended the Annual Banquet of Dads and Sons of Serra High School on February 24. On February 26 he attended a meeting of the special Legislative Committee of the Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities, of which Committee he is also a member. On February 27 he attended a luncheon given by Cardinal McIntyre in honor of Archduke Otto. On February 28 he presided at the general faculty meeting for the spring semester. On March 8 he attended the meeting of the Executive Committee and a meeting of the Trustees of the Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities. March 10-13 he attended a workshop sponsored by the Commission on Colleges and Industries of the Association of American Colleges. He attended this workshop as current President of Independent Colleges of Southern California.

Spiritualia. Father Odou conducted the devotions for the Novena of Grace. The greatest number of students ever attended. The number of laity from the surrounding area was double that of previous years. The Novena closed with Solemn Benediction: Father Carroll, celebrant; Father St. Sure, deacon; Father Wolfe, subdeacon.

Lectures and Talks. Fr. Brusher talked to the Westchester B'nai B'rith on how to promote brotherhood through the Church, as part of Brotherhood Week celebration.

Father Finnegan gave a talk on Sex Education to the parents of students receiving catechetical instruction through the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine at Azusa. Approximately 170 parents came to the talk, which had been requested by the Sisters.

Father President spoke to the Valley Chapter of the Alumni Association on February 27. On March 14 he spoke at the Alumni Fund kick-off dinner.

Improvements. On March 3 KXLU, Loyola's student-operated radio station, held an inaugural ceremony for its new FM broadcasts (88.7. megacycles). Father President blessed the new equipment and addressed the staff, faculty and alumni representatives, and friends who were present. The station is now broadcasting regularly, Monday through Thursday, 6-9:30 p. m., and Sunday, 2-9:30 p. m.

It is anticipated that either late in March or early in April actual construction on the new residence hall will begin.

Events. On March 4 Father President gave an invocation at the dedication of St. Vincent Court by Bullock's and city officials.

The Engineering Council for Professional Development examined the College of Engineering for accreditation on March 14 and 15.

Father Humphreys inaugurated the Dialogue Mass, sponsored by the Sodality, and celebrated once a week at noon time. All attending the Mass are encouraged to participate. The first dialogue Mass was held on March 8.

Appointments. Father President has been appointed Chairman of a provisional committee to organize all the local colleges to cooperate with the forthcoming higher education program of the Advertising Council of America.

Father Martin was elected to the Execuitve Committee of the Westtern College Association during the spring meeting of the association in Los Angeles. This is a key committee consisting of six members. One of the important functions of this group is to pass final judgment

on all applications for accreditation which are made by junior colleges, colleges and universities to the Western College Association.

Father Humphreys was appointed to the Honors Program Committee of Loyola University.

Varia. Donald Neville, a Loyola University student, was awarded a National Science Foundation fellowship in chemistry. He was one of the 845 students who received this type of award. More than 3,000 people from the United States, Hawaii, Porto Rico, and Alaska applied for the National Science Foundation fellowships.

At the recent meeting of the Western College Association, Loyola University was reaccredited for the maximum period of time which is five years.

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Novena of Grace. Fr. Clifford preached the sermons for the Novena. The services were very well attended despite some very inclement weather.

Forty Hours. Fr. McMahon preached the sermons for the Forty Hours Devotion.

Addition. Fr. James Donohue has been added to the community, taking the Chaplaincy at the San Francisco Hospital.

Talks. Fr. Ryan gave the talk for the Loyola University Alumni Communion-Breakfast Group. Fr. McGloin gave the talk to the Northern California section of Young Ladies Institute at the Communion-Breakfast. He also talked to the Newman Club of the University of California Medical Center. Both talks were on the role of the Catholic Church in California history.

Fr. McDonnell talked to the Men's Club of St. Charles Parish in San Carlos.

Novena. Fr. Phillips gave the sermons for a novena in honor of the Blessed Sacrament at the convent chapel of the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration (Mexican).

Refugees. The University was host to the stranded Hungarian swimming and water polo teams while they were in San Francisco.

Convention. Fr. President (JFX Connolly), Fr. Harney, Fr. Smyth and Fr. Hynes attended the meetings in Los Angeles of the Western College Association.

Mass. A Solemn Mass was sung at the request of the Filipino students of the University for the late President Magsaysay of the Philippine Islands. Many of the local Filipino familes and the consular officers attended the Mass.

Lenten Work. Several of the fathers are giving Lenten talks in the parish churches of the Archdiocese.

Third in the Nation. The University basketball team worked its way successfully through the NCAA Tournament held in Corvallis and went to Kansas City where it met Kansas University. The Dons lost to Kansas but defeated Michigan State to win third place in the NCAA.

Talks. Fr. McMahon preached the sermon at the Mass for Ramon Magsaysay, late President of the Philippines. He also conducted a Day of Recollection for the Mothers Club of Star of the Sea Parish and another for the Y. L. I. of Oakland.

Workshop. Fr. Boss conducted an afternoon and evening workshop session for the Northern California Training Directors on Communications and Human Relations in Industry. He also conducted a similar workshop for the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training of the United States Department of Labor. Likewise he gave a talk on Unionization of White Collar employees to the National Office Managers Association.

A Bay Area Publicity Clinic was held on the campus under the auspices of the University and the San Francisco Publicity Club. Representatives from all the bay area publishing organizations were present for the day long session.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Scholarship Budget. Fr. Hauck, as member of the Finance Committee of the California Scholarship Commission, presented the 1957-58 Scholarship Budget ($645,000) before the Assembly Ways and Means Committee in Sacramento (Feb. 21st). The Budget was approved.

Pre-Lenten Dinner. The Faculty Wives held their pre-Lenten dinner at the Hawaiian Gardens, Feb. 23rd. Joining with members of the Faculty were some of the Fathers.

Fr. Raymond Sprague, operated on several months ago, and due to a spinal injection became paralyzed from the waist down, is now staying in the Donohue Infirmary.

Fr. W. Gianera was recently named a member of the Steering Committee at a meeting of representatives of public and private colleges north of Tehachapi Pass, held in Berkeley, Feb. 27th. Committees were formed to incorporate Northern California with the nation-wide advertising campaign to interest all segments of the public with the need of Higher Education.

On Campus Meeting. Members of the Gamma Xi Chapter played hosts to the Western Regional Chapters of the International Fraternity of the Delta Sigma Pi, in a two day convention, Mar. 1-2.

Fr. T. Flynn, Moderator of the St. Thomas More Society said mass in the Domestic Chapel for the members Mar. 3rd. At the breakfast held in the Students' Dining Hall, members of the Society were addressed by Mr. Edward Hogan of Hastings Law College.

Red Cross Drive in Santa Clara County was started with a kick-off luncheon at the Hawaiian Gardens March 1st. Fr. Hauck, in conjunction with a Rabbi and a Minister, was one of the speakers.

Novena of Grace for the students, Mar. 4-12th, consisted of short evening talks and Benediction. Participating in these talks were Frs. Earley, Donohoe, Tait, Flynn, Kelley, Guenther, McDermott, McAuliffe and Hauck.

Fr. W. Schmidt was host for 'Open House' at the newly completed Youth Center, Mar. 2nd, and all were deeply impressed with his achievements for the further help of the County's youth population.

Senior High School Day was held Mar. 5th, under the direction of Fr. Mei and the ASUSC student leaders. 200 students representing 16 high school attended, visited the lecture rooms, and partook of dinner in the Students' Dining Hall.

Lecture Series. The 4th Annual Lecture Series, sponsored by the ASUSC, opened in the University auditorium, Mar. 5th, with a Panel Discussion on a 'Guaranteed Wage'. The general topic is "Labor Relations". Three other lectures are scheduled.

Fr. C. Guenther, Director of Purchasing, has been chosen Associate Consultant of the National Federation Consulting Service. To date 200 associates from colleges of the U. S. have been chosen to serve as Business Consultants to small colleges and universities.

Installation. Frs. Hauck and King attended the installation services of Msgr. J. Brown as new Pastor of St. Leo's Church, San Jose. Msgr. Brown was formerly Archdiocesan Superintendent of Schools and very interested in the work of Catholic colleges.

Mission Bells. A representative of NBC Radio made recordings of the Mission Bells and an interview with Fr. Hauck for presentation on NBC's "Monitor" program Easter Sunday in commemoration of the Missions of California.

Sympathy. A large number of students and members of the faculty attended the burial services for a Freshman pre-med student, Paul Cooper, killed in an auto accident Mar. 6. His car had been stolen and was later picked up in Santa

Barbara. While driving his car home, the car skidded near Salinas and Paul was killed.

Western College Assn. At a meeting held in Los Angeles Mar. 14-15, attended by Frs. Hauck and Mei, Fr. Hauck's term as member of the Executive Committee terminated, as did his chairmanship of the Nominating Committee. He continues as member of the Committee on the Constitution.

Founders' Day was celebrated this year with a program of speeches, music by the students and presentation of the "Service Awards" to three Alumni in the Auditorium, March 18th. Fr. Mei spoke of the ideals and aims of the Founders of the University and read citations for the honored Alumni (Frank Heffernan, Dr. Alexander Leonard and August Donovan). Fr. Hauck spoke concerning the centennial of the granting of the first college degree west of the Rockies by Santa Clara to Thomas I. Bergin, (A. B. 1857). Officials of City and County occupied places of honor on the stage and the Faculty and Seniors wore their academic robes.

Lenten Mission Drive. The Sodalists conducted a Lenten Mission Drive with the goal $1,500 to publish a Chinese Catechissm in four dialects. The catechism will be used by student catechists under the direction of Fr. L. Dowd at the Catechetical Center built last year on the Island of Formosa by the University of Santa Clara students.

Fr. J. Clifford spoke to the students about his three years in prison in Red China, Mar. 18th. Last year the students made a triduum of prayer for the release of the Fathers from their communist prison cells.

Fr. J. Pociask. Director of the de Saisset Gallery, presented several interesting concerts for students and music loving public: Feb. 24th-Rose Marie Johnson, coloratura soprano, in songs-classical and modern: Mar. 3rd-"Music Journey through South America" by Lydis W. Boothley: Mar. 10th - Richard Corbett, pianist; and Mar. 15th "The Santa Clara Philharmonic Orchestra, with Roald Reitan, baritone, this season's solo award winner.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Meetings. The Henry Welch Guild held its annual Birthday Party in the new gymnasium. Father Rector (Plushkell) spoke on the importance of providing more scholarships for deserving boys.

Spiritualia. Father Richardson gave a three day retreat to the Carmelite nuns in Alhambra during March.

Father Gabriel Menager took a three day supply at St. Anne's parish during the absence of its pastor.

Two groups of seniors from the high school made three day retreats at Azusa. Fathers Andrew Gilligan and John Shepherd went with the second group as counselors.

A few Fathers from this community went to Fresno for the consecration of Bishop Clinch. Father John Shepherd explained the ceremony for the television audience.

Improvements. Brothers Desjardins and Silveira are replacing the old linoleum in the living rooms with asphalt tiles. The patterns they are laying down are plain but attractive. The Brothers also removed one of the old wooden refrigerators, and put in a metal refrigerator unit.

Permission has been received to purchase a new Ford. A station wagon capable of holding nine persons seems to be the model to be chosen.

Events. The annual Lenten collection for the Missions got off to a fine start. The lower divisions, especially the class of 1-D, have been making a fine showing, mostly due to the efforts of Father Gilligan, lower division chaplain.

Shortly after his appointment as Rector-President, Father Plushkell

addressed the student body, after which he granted a holiday.

Loyola High School's Faculty was the host to the superiors and athletic directors of Mt. Carmel, Cathedral, Notre Dame, St. Anthony's, Serra, Pius X, and St. Monica's high schools, at a pre-Lenten dinner held here. It was a wonderful event, and helped the different groups to know the others better.

"Paint Your Wagon", a musical written by Lerner and Lowe, the authors of "My Fair Lady", was presented by the Loyola High School Players. The boys played to capacity houses each night of the three day run. It was an all Jesuit production. Mr. Boyle was the director, Mr. Gallas was in charge of the scenery, Mr. David McDonald took care of the costumes and make-up.

In the four eliminations for the 24th District finals of the National American Legion Oratorical contest, Loyola High School had two first places, namely Frank Dietz and Joseph Kolmel. They will compete against two boys from Charminade and Hamilton for the District Championship.

Visitors. Father Thomas Reed arrived here in March to make his annual visitation of the classes. While here, Father officiated at the funeral of one of his uncles.

Fathers John F. X. Connolly, Herman Hauck, and Edmund Smyth, attending a meeting in Los Angeles visited with us.

Father Knox, a member of the Upper Canadian Province Mission Band has been staying with us while giving tridua and days of recollection in convents in Los Angeles and San Diego.

Father Russell Gruye, traveling secretary for Bellarmine Preparatory in San Jose, stayed here for a week or so, while seeking recruits from the Southland for his school.

BELLARMINE

Building Campaign. On the morning of March 2 a special Mass was offered in the gym for the success of the appeal which was about to be made during the Novena of Grace period for funds for the new school buildings. Fr. Zachaeus Maher preached an inspiring sermon which made a deep impression on the boys as well as on the adults present. The goal is $400,000.

Spiritualia. Exercises for the Novena of Grace were conducted daily during the noon hour by Frs. Devlin and O'Toole, and several scholastics, all of whom took turns in giving the talks. Fr. Devlin also preached the Novena at St. Mary's Church in the evening.

During Lent many of the students who lived at a great distance from school attended the special 8:00 o'clock daily Mass. The Mission Drive, another annual school Sodality project, was generously supported by the students.

Mr. Van Dorn's Freshmen Sodality Probationers, numbering 80, have undertaken an active program. Besides their daily spiritual duties they each take part in one of the six committees working in the apostulate. About 20 boys help the Senior Sodalists in teaching catechism once a week; another 20 boys help the Holy Family Sisters at the Day Home after school—taking turns in groups of four, organizing games for the youngsters. A third group prints and paints posters to publicize various Sodality projects; another group recently exhibited a fine display of promotional material from Catholic colleges and universities. In addition, about 12 boys help out once a week at St. Joseph's parish in contacting non-Catholics for convert classes, and in helping out in the parish census. And, finally, another group teaches Sodalists to serve Mass.

The Students' Chapel has been the center for several Days of Recollection during the past month.

On successive Sundays the Jesuit Mothers and the Y. L. I. attended conferences given by Fr. Giambastiani, while on Friday, March 8, Fr. Dondero spoke to the Bellarmine Mothers' Guild. A Cana Conference for Alumni couples was also held on campus on Sunday, March 31, conducted by Fr. S. Early.

On March 30-31 Fr. Stretch gave Days of Recollection at the Day Home to the 7th and 8th grade children and to the public high school girls taught by the Holy Family Sisters.

Events. Very Rev. Fr. Provincial made the Community Visitation from March 12-15.

The winner of the Elocution Contest, which was held in the gym on March 7, presented the ever popular "Little Brother". He was coached by Fr. Harrington.

Fr. Ford has joined the Community and is teaching and counselling.

Sports. Despite opposite rumors which have arisen in the public press, Mr. John Hanna is still the varsity football coach.

On Thursday March 14 the annual Basketball team banquet was held at Lucca's Restaurant. Recognition was given to Guard Mike Felice who was voted All-City, All-Catholic, and Player-of-the-Year in the San Jose area.

At this date the Swimming Team looks stronger than ever in winning over numerous teams including the Cal Frosh. Mike Mahaney (All-American) now holds seven Bellarmine records, his latest being the Breast Stroke record.

Mr. Lee's health has returned to the point where, in addition to his teaching duties, he is now the enthusiastic coach of a Tennis Team which has turned in some outstanding victories.

Fr. Strehl also continues to improve.

FRESNO

Events. On Thursday, February 20th, at Saint Theresa's Shrine in Fresno, His Excellency Aloysius J. Willinger, C.S.s.R., consecrated an auxiliary for the Monerey-Fresno diocese, Bishop Harry A. Clinch, pastor at Taft. Very Rev. Fr. Provincial, along with the Ryan Prep faculty and several visiting fathers, represented the California province at the ceremony.

Father Brady of the seminary drilled a dozen or more of the seminarians for key serving functions of the Mass. The remainder of the boys sang in the choir. Father Brady himself was second master of ceremonies, and later in the day appeared over KMJ—TV to explain rebroadcasted highlights of the consecration. Father John Shepherd of Loyola High School narrated the two-and-a-half hour ceremony to a wide audience over KJEO—TV. He read the more important prayers of the ceremony, interspersing his own extemporaneous commentary.

A pre-Lenten Mardi Gras party was staged for the student body by a group of boys, under Mr. Torren's direction. Ten speakers chosen from the upper four classes of seminarians vied in the annual Shakespearean Contest at the close of March. Mr. Latham directed the contest and coached many of the entrants.

Talks. Father Joseph Geary gave a talk to the San Joaquin Memorial Mothers' Club, on March 12, about appropriate Lenten reading.

MOUNT ST. MICRAEL'S

Skiing. Spokane's snow came, went, and came again under the influence of Mr. Snook. During the last coming, Mount skiers suffered their first and last accidents. Mr. Flynn incurred a broken ankle but is home now doing nicely in a cast. Mr. Dave Clarke received a concussion in a fall and is still in the

hospital, out of danger but recuperating slowly.

Assignments. Mr. Ronald is due to go to Formosa; Mr. Morris (Ore.) to Alaska and Mr. Beer (Ore.) to Japan.

Faculty Addition. The vacuum created on the faculty at the departure of Fr. T. Wolfe was filled with the arrival of Fr. William Kegel (Ph.D. Toronto), professor of philosophy at St. Louis U.

Hospital. Bro. Richards is confined to the hospital while doctors are treating a leg tumor. Mr. Morris lost an appendix and is recovering quickly.

Father Boll. The death of Father Emile T. Boll last month in the house was a source of edification to all who had the privilege to attend him during his last moments. Fr. Boll's funeral was attended by His Excellency, Bishop Topel.

Spring Concert. Mr. Waters, much to the surprise, admiration, and enjoyment of all, conducted a genuine spring concert, complete with orchestra and choral. Featured at the concert were selections from such composers as Haydn, Bach, Schuman, Brahms, Chopin, Debussey, Frank, and others. Many scholastic artists performed, including Mr. Steve McMahon on the clarinet, and Mr. Ronald on the cello. The concert was a complete success especially the conclusion of THE HEAVENS ARE TELLING, from "The Creation" by F. J. Haydn, performed by the combined orchestra and choral and conducted by Mr. Waters himself.

BRIGHAM CITY

96 Navajos Confirmed. On St. Patrick's Day, His Excellency Bishop Hunt came to Intermountain School for the Navajos and conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation on 96 Navajo children and 24 of our parish of St. Henry's. Father Francis Dunn, the Chief of the Tribe in these parts, and the four Missionary Catechetical Sisters did a good job of preparation. Only near casualty took place when one of the Navajo girls tried to dip her thumb into the oils - along with the Bishop! We have had a Franciscan Father from the reservation - Chinle, Arizona, giving a retreat beforehand in Navajo. This takes place each year.

Fr. W. Dunne. The super-constellation - or something - which I am now taking to Little Valley, for Mass at 12 noon is a tremendous help. So far, so good - much easier than driving. Only "slow-down" thus far was on March 10th when on the return trip to Brigham City we couldn't land. The wind was so strong we couldn't lose altitude, forcing us to change directions and land at Ogden, bringing me one hour late at Tremonton for the 5 p. m. Mass. All were waiting in the "Church", the basement of the Utah Light and Power Company.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Activity. There now is tremendous activity in the parish in the way of sponsoring the New Church to answer the needs of our growing population here in the Valley of the Sun. The response has been generous and the Captains and Co-captains have all been arrainged in the different committees. Meetings are held every Monday night and the prayer "Memorare" is being added to the ordinary prayers every day.

Cow Boy League. Ablaze on all the different diamonds all Saturday are the aspirants of the Cow Boy League, The Little League and this year through the enterprising spirits of the many gentlemen of the Dads' Club there is venture in the Pony League and Babe Ruth League. The most amazing thing is the way the fathers of the boys join in the

coaching and organizing of these different groups. "Every Tot That Can Toss" has good hopes to attain a position on one of the many teams of the different leagues. The family that prays together stays together: we might add our own motto - The families that play together pray together and stay together to further the greater enterprizes of Saint Francis Phoenix.

Mother of Six Priests. The Saint Francis Community was saddened by the news of the recent death of Mrs. Monaghan, mother of Fr. Joseph Monaghan. The secret of Father "Joe" as he is so lovingly called by all about the parish, is out: the source of his zeal and unflagging charity to all must have come from the inspiration of his early life for his mother is the mother of six priests. Four of the six are of the Company of Jesus.

Fr. Joseph Diebels has assumed the duties of chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital in Phoenix.

SACRAMENTO

First Prize. The National Catholic Educational Association has selected our proposed church as the winner of two first place awards for design. One of the awards is for the best master plan which includes not only the church but schools, convent, and rectory. The other award is for the "most distinctive design" of a church to seat more than 400 and to be erected in 1957. Word of the awards was received recently by Harry J. Devine, architect. Our church drawings will be exhibited at the N.C.E.A. convention.

Visitors. A recent visitor was the Rev. Maurice Stanford, S. J., member of the Canadian English Speaking Province. Father Stanford has been working in the Province's Mission in India for the past ten years, and has been spending the past few months giving special lectures on India and the needs of the Catholic Missions.

Improvements. The new Social Hall will be ready for the various parish organizations in about a month. The stuccoing was completed last week, and the brick facings are now in process. As you probably read in a past Province News, this building has been the work of volunteer labor from the parish. Also, many materials and equipment have been donated.

HOLY FAMILY

"Carnevale". Shrove Tuesday found the Jesuit Pastors of Santa Clara Valley gathered at table here.

T-V Competition. Lenten Sunday afternoon Vespers, re-instituted several years ago, no longer attract, despite an excellent male choir and an expeditious ritual. Whether we will try again next year is doubtful. Lenten devotions in general (Friday evening Way of the Cross excepted) are poorly attended. But the Holy Ashes throngs on Ash Wednesday surpass the Christmas crowds.

Visitors. Father James Linden (Ore.), here in San Jose for the Novena of Grace at St. Joseph's, occasioned a phenomenal amount of reminiscing during and after dinner with us.

Unwelcome Visitor. A Mexican Clairvoyant (female) has been leaving her cards in our church in strategic places, advertising Health, Fortune & Success . . . Details concerning hidden treasures . . . one visit will convince you . . .

Mexican Mission. The Mission for the Spanish-speaking people is progressing successfully. Father Pena talks to a filled church each night. As usually happens, the backlog of Marriages-to-be-blessed is increasing apace.

V. R. Father Provincial Visitationed Holy Family on Friday, Mar. 14.

Progress. An outlay of a goodly amount of parish funds has gone

into the installation of an automatic heat control switch for our furnace. An electric time-clock, and a thermostatic control box have eliminated early rising (for the purpose of starting the furnace) and manual control of the furnace. This is a far cry from the wood-burning hand-stoked smoke-producing furnace which Father Roccati found here when he first took over.

St. Joseph Tables. The day before the Feast of St. Joseph (Mar. 18) is used by one of the fathers here to bless the various S. Joseph Tables about the city. The amount of food prepared (for days before) and displayed at these homes is well-nigh incredible. This tradition (chiefly Scilian) loads the blessing-priest's car with cookies and other Italian confections.

Matrimonialia Again. Two late-starters help us prove that Lent in no way interferes with the marriage march. A 74 year old widower joined himself for life to a 67 year old maiden. Father Pena's mastery of French enabled him to officiate when a 61 year old bachelor started life with a 60 year old maid. Only four revalidations this month. The Andrea Doria couple was swamped by photographers and reporters. Just after they took off for their honeymoon to San Francisco (sic) NBC-TV long distanced from New York three times to Holy Family looking for the newlyweds to appear on TV.

Confirmation was administered Sunday, March 24, 51 adults received the Sacrament. The Confirmation Retreat for the Children was given by Fr. DeLucchi.

Baptismal Statistics. 47 baptisms last month. 21 male, 26 female. 8 converts. Two were adult Catholics, baptized as babies but with no reliable proof of baptism available.

PROVINCE DEAN'S OFFICE

Mr. Victor M. Manjarrez, who has been studying philosophy and mathmatics for the past three years at Spring Hill, has been awarded a National Science Foundation Scholarship. The scholarship will pay from $1400 to $3000 for a year of graduate study. Mr. Manjarrez will begin doctoral studies at Harvard in September. He entered the Society from Loyola High.

Competition for these scholarships is rugged, so naturally all are very pleased with Mr. Manjarrez's accomplishment.

VILLA

As we go to press it is hoped that construction will be well under way for three new units, a kitchen-dining room, chapel, and a building for twelve small chapels. The plans call for finishing them sufficiently for use by June 15.

RECENT DEATHS

Br. Joseph R. Lluch, Manila, P. I., Mar. 4.

Fr. Peter J. Dolin, Boston, Mass, Mar. 10.

Fr. Edward A. Callahan, Cambridge, Mass., Mar. 14.

Fr. John Laherty, San Jose, California, Mar. 30.

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of the mother of Fr. Joseph Monaghan.
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